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PREVENTING DEPRESSION USING
DIDESMETHYL SIBUTRAMINE
(As amended)

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-captioned application on the merits,
Applicant respectfully requests that the following amendments and remarks be considered
by the Examiner and entered into the file of the application.

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Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

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Amendments to the Title

Please amend the title as follows:

METHODS OF TREATING AND PREVENTING DEPRESSION USING
DIDESMETHYLSIBUTRAMINE AND COMPOSITIONS COMPRISING
SIBUTRAMINE METABOLITES OPTIONALLY IN COMBINATION WITH OTHER
PHARMACOLOGICALLY ACTIVE COMPOUNDS.